Claims

## 1.-4. (canceled)

- 5. (new) A temperature compensation element for a connection unit to which lines can be connected, the temperature compensation element comprising:
- a first strip of thermally-conductive material, wherein thermally-conductive terminal lugs are arranged in a row to the first strip, wherein each lug can be contacted with corresponding terminals of the connection unit, and wherein the lugs are connected to the first strip in a thermally-conductive manner.
- 6. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 5, wherein the thermally-conductive terminal lugs are arranged essentially at right angles to the first strip.
- 7. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 5, further comprising a second strip of thermally-conductive material opposite the first strip.
- 8. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 6, further comprising a second strip of thermally-conductive material opposite the first strip.
- 9. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 5, wherein the first strip and the terminal lugs are electrically-conducting, wherein the terminal lugs are electrically isolated from the first strip, wherein on the first strip a temperature-dependent resistor is arranged, and wherein the terminals of the resistor make contact with a terminal lug in each case.
- 10. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 6, wherein the first strip and the terminal lugs are

electrically-conducting, wherein the terminal lugs are electrically isolated from the first strip, wherein on the first strip a temperature-dependent resistor is arranged, and wherein the terminals of the resistor make contact with a terminal lug in each case.

- 11. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 7, wherein the first strip and the terminal lugs are electrically-conducting, wherein the terminal lugs are electrically isolated from the first strip, wherein on the first strip a temperature-dependent resistor is arranged, and wherein the terminals of the resistor make contact with a terminal lug in each case.
- 12. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 7, wherein the first and the second strip are connected to each other on the side opposite the terminal lugs.
- 13. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 11, wherein the first and the second strip are connected to each other on the side opposite the terminal lugs.
- 14. (new) A temperature compensation element for a connection unit, to which lines can be connected, with the temperature compensation element comprising at least a first strip of thermally-conductive material on which, essentially at right angles to the strip, arranged in a row, are thermally-conductive terminal lugs, which can in each case be contacted with corresponding terminals of the connection unit, with the terminal lugs being connected to the strip in a thermally-conductive manner.
- 15. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 14, wherein the temperature compensation element is provided with a second strip of thermally-conductive material opposite the first strip.

- 16. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 14, wherein the first strip and the terminal lugs are electrically-conducting, with the terminal lugs being electrically isolated from the first strip, and wherein on the first strip a temperature-dependent resistor is arranged, of which the terminals make contact with a terminal lug in each case.
- 17. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 15, wherein the first strip and the terminal lugs are electrically-conducting, with the terminal lugs being electrically isolated from the first strip, and wherein on the first strip a temperature-dependent resistor is arranged, of which the terminals make contact with a terminal lug in each case.
- 18. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 15, wherein the first and second strip are connected to each other on the side opposite the terminal lugs .
- 19. (new) The temperature compensation element in accordance with claim 17, wherein the first and second strip are connected to each other on the side opposite the terminal lugs.